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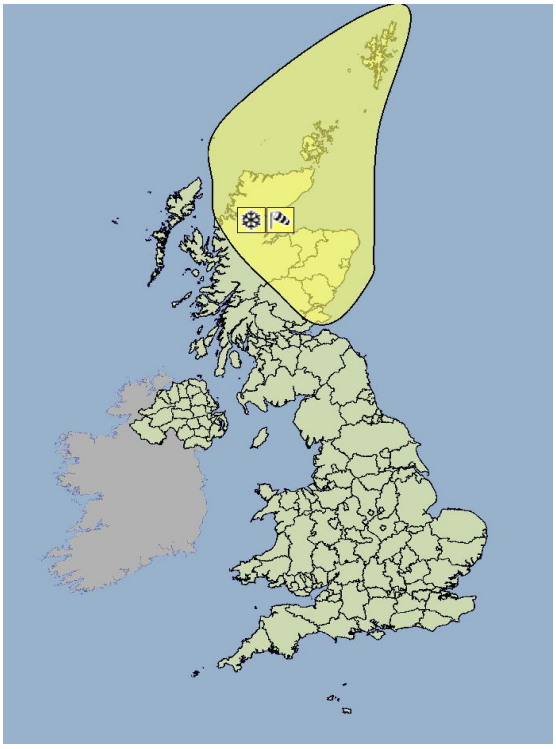

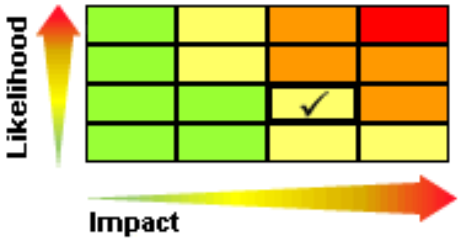

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A weather system will run quickly southwards within a strong, cold north to northwesterly airstream bringing a period of heavy snow accompanied very strong winds, giving blizzard conditions in places, particularly for high ground.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Wind and Snow**

Valid from **20:00 on Thu, 12th Jan 2017** until **09:00 on Fri, 13th Jan 2017**

Cold north or northwest winds will bring a further area of heavy snow southwards across the Northern Isles and the northeast of the Scottish mainland late on Thursday into the first part of Friday accompanied by severe gales, with gusts to 70 mph in places. A further 2-5 cm of snow is likely away from immediate exposed coasts, with a further 10-20 cm possible in areas above around 200 m. Severe blizzard conditions are likely on high ground, with drifting of the snow. Further significant disruption to transport networks seems likely, along with possible disruption to power supplies, although not all areas will be equally affected. The worst of the conditions should ease overnight across the Northern Isles and during Friday morning elsewhere.

This warning has been updated to a joint snow and wind warning with the area of risk being confined to northern and some eastern parts of Scotland. The start time has been brought forward to Thursday evening and the end time brought forward to Friday morning.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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